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TI Fine copper wires and their manufacture

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§) esp. for electronic devices are manufd. from  ${\bf Cu}$  contg. Fe,  ${\bf Ag}$ , and/or  ${\bf Sn}$  0.1-9 and  ${\bf Zr}$  0.1-2.5 ppm, with the total amt. of the alloying elements 0.2-9.5 ppm, by melting and casting in vacuum or nonoxidizing atm., drawing at final drawing ratio  ${\bf r}=70-99.98$ , and annealing to give elongation  ${\bf e}=2-208$ . Thus,  ${\bf Cu}$  contg.  ${\bf Zr}$  0.8 and Fe 4.2 ppm was melted, cast into a 25 .times. 140-mm billet, machined to 20 .times. 100-mm specimen, hot rolled to 10-mm diam., drawn at  ${\bf r}=928$ , vacuum annealed at 350.degree. to 25-.mu.m-diam. wire, and finally annealed at 250-400.degree. in  ${\bf Ar}$ . The resp. rupturing load and elongation for the obtained wire were 12.3 g and 14.3% vs. 12.1 g and

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for the conventional fine Au wire. The obtained  ${\tt Cu}$  wire also showed excellent bonding properties.